



In re Application of:

KEN SAKAKIBARA, ET AL.

Application No.: 09/413,642

Filed: October 6, 1999

For: DISTRIBUTED OFFICE SYSTEM AND  
MANAGEMENT METHOD THEREOF

Docket No.: 03500.013892

Examiner: C. Hewitt, II

Group Art Unit: 2161

Date: February 27, 2002

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

☒ No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	38	MINUS	40	= 0	x \$9 \$18	\$ -0-
INDEP. CLAIMS	2	MINUS	3	= 0	x \$42 \$84	\$ -0-
Fee for Multiple Dependent claims \$140°/\$280						
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT---						\$ -0-

☐ °Verified Statement claiming small entity status is enclosed, if not filed previously.

☐ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.

- ☐ Charge \$\_\_\_\_ to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☒ Any prior general authorization to charge an issue fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.18 to Deposit Account No. 06-1205 is hereby revoked. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to cover the fee for a \_\_\_\_\_ month extension is enclosed.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_ to cover the Information Disclosure Statement fee is enclosed.
- ☒ Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 27, 2001, the Examiner is respectfully requested to amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please substitute the following paragraph for the paragraph starting at page 6, line 4 and ending at line 10. A marked-up copy of this paragraph, showing the changes made thereto is attached.

--As described above, when the worker belonging to the organization works in the home office, it has heretofore been usual to use the telephone set, the facsimile